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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer add

RE:

Site Inspection, U.S. Energy Corp, Velvet Mine, M/037/040, San Juan

County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

June 28, 1995

Time of Inspection:

15:15

Conditions:

Clear, hot

Participants:

Ted McDougal, BLM San Juan RA; Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To jointly inspect the area and evaluate the current status of the site

No one was present at the site during this inspection., There is a new sign indicating that the mine is owned by Plateau Resources. The gate to the site is locked and an earthen berm has been pushed up in front of the gate. We walked around the general perimeter of the site. There seem to be very few changes since the last Division inspection. There is some piping occurring at the southwest end of the dump area, as evident by two sink holes. This erosion may be new. Another new feature is a large mound of dirt pushed up to the mouth of the decline. The buildings are secure.

jb cc:

Ken Webber, U.S. Energy Corp/PLATEAU RESOURCES??

Ted McDougal, BLM, San Juan RA

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